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SUBJECT: AMERICAN CANDIDATE FOR POSITION IN UN/OPI

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1. ACCCOMPANIED BY PAO, I CALLED ON WINSPEARE
GUICCIARDI, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF UN GENEVA, TO EXPRESS
USG'S STRONG SUPPORT FOR CANDIDACY OF AMCIT CHARLES
GAULKIN TO HEAD OPI'S PRESS SECTION.

2. MY DEMARCHE FOLLOWED RECEIPT OF REFTEL
EXPRESSING DEPARTMENT'S SUPPORT OF GAULKIN. APPROACH
TO WINSPEARE APPEARED EVEN MORE URGENT BECAUSE CHARLES
BOURBONNIERE, HEAD OF OPI, HAD TOLD US IN CONFIDENCE
ON FEBRUARY 7 THAT ASSISTANT SYG AKATANI WAS OPPOSED
TO GAULKIN ALTHOUGH BOTH BOURBONNIERE AND WILLIAM
POWELL OF OPI NEW YORK HAD RECOMMENDED HIS TRANSFER
TO GENEVA. BOURBONNIERE TOLD US THAT AKATANI INTENDED
TO TRANSFER THE CHIEF OF OPI IN BANGKOK, A TOGOLESE,
TO THE GENEVA JOB.

3. BEFORE I HAD TIME TO FULLY STATE OUR
POSITION, WINSPEARE INTERRUPTED TO SAY THAT HE WAS
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FAMILIAR WITH THE SITUATION AND IN AGREEMENT WITH
OUR VIEWS. HE SAID HE HAD THREE CONSIDERATION WITH
REGARD TO THE POSITION OF CHIEF OF PRESS SECTION:
HE WANT THE POSITION TO GO TO SOMEBODY WITHIN
THE UN INFORMATION SYSTEM; HE WANTS THE NEXT INCUMBENT
TO BE AN AMERICAN, BOTH BECAUSE THIS HAS BEEN THE
CASE TRADITIONALLY AND HE IS MORE LIKELY TO HAVE THE

NECESSARY QUALIFICATIONS; AND HE WANTS IT DONE QUICKLY
BECAUSE THE PRESENT INCUMBENT, MICHAEL CLARK, IS
LEAVING IMMEDIATELY AND THE OPI NEEDS A SUCCESSOR
QUICKLY.

4. IN RESPONSE TO OUR QUESTION WHETHER HIS POSITION
WAS KNOWN IN NEW YORK WINSPEARE SAID HE HAD INSTRUCTED
BOURBONNIERE TO COMMUNICATE IT TO HEADQUARTERS. AS
WER WERE LEAVING HE AGAIN PUT IN A CALL TO BOURBONNIERE.
SHORTLY THEREAFTER THE LATTER TOLD PAO THAT HE HAD
BEEN INSTRUCTED BY WINSPEARE TO DRAFT A CABLE TO NEW
YORK, HAD ALREADY DONE SO AND CHECKED ITS CONTENT
WITH PAO. BOURBONNIERE'S CABLE SAYS EXACTLY THE
SAME AS PARA 3 ABOVE.

5. WE TRUST THAT USUN NOW ALSO WILL WEIGH IN WITH
THE UN HIERARCHY AS REQUESTED IN REFTELS. CATTO

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